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NATURAL RESOURCES OF VIRGINIA.—We find an article in the Richmond Whig, signed P. upon this subject. The writer recommends official surveys of the State, and the publication of reports as has been done by other States and proceeds as follows:

Now, what of this kind has been done for the State of Virginia? Almost nothing. The world knows in a loose and indefinite way, that Virginia in her climate, soil, vegetable, animal, and mineral productions, claims to be unsurpassed by any other country. But she gives no official guarantee of the truth of such claims. What little has been published about her resources, is lost in scattered and detached papers. When one wishes to know something about the resources of the State, he must come and travel over the country, losing time and spending money. Need we say that the capitalist cannot afford to do this?

Now, the question is, what must be done to remedy this?

About the year 1835 the Legislature appointed a corps of persons to make

A *Geological Survey of the State*.—At the head of this stood Professor William B. Rogers, a gentleman of the highest scientific attainments. Notwithstanding the fact that these men had to work in entirely unexplored ground, and were cramped by the smallness of the sum appropriated, and by the indifference of the people, much work was done, and even in that limited time discoveries valuable to the agricultural interests of the country were made. Reports were published of every kind of interest and technical value to be found in the State. It was his desire also to establish a laboratory, where he could examine the marls, limestones, &c., in which the State abounds, and in whose development agricultural interests have so much at stake.

It was the purpose of Prof. R., on completing his investigations, to establish in Richmond a State collection, in which would be embraced specimens of the minerals, soils, vegetable and animal productions of the State, which being open to the public, and being accompanied by maps and the printed matter of the reports, would furnish

A complete physical history of the State. Here one could go, and at a glance see before him specimens of every kind of interest and technical value to be found in the State. It was his desire also to establish a laboratory, where he could examine the marls, limestones, &c., in which the State abounds, and in whose development agricultural interests have so much at stake.

Such an establishment would form a nucleus for further collections, such as of specimens of manufactured articles, models of machinery, &c., where the mechanic and artisan could repair, and study to improve his productions. Such establishments are to be found in all the principal cities of Europe, and are valued highly as means of improving the tastes and skill of the working classes.

Now, cannot we at least make a commencement of such an establishment? The cost would be far less than might be supposed, and we are sure that the people stand ready to cooperate.

THE COLUMN VENDOME.—For nearly two hundred years the site of this beautiful column has been famous. It was as long ago as 1688 that Louis Quatorze founded the square, and although his designs were not completed, a colossal equestrian statue stood until 1792 in its centre, to remind the Parisians of the glories of the reign of the magnificent monarch. To replace this statue, which had then been destroyed, Napoleon, in 1806, ordered a triumphal column, by which his victories should ever be remembered, as were Trajan's by his pillar in Rome, upon the model of which that of Paris was built.

The shaft was formed of two hundred and seventy six plates of metal, cast from twelve hundred guns taken from the Austrians and Prussians. From a height of one hundred and forty feet the effigy in bronze of the great modern conqueror looked down upon the city at its feet, and from base to capital were twined in *alto relievo* representations of the triumphs and achievements of the campaign of 1805 and Austerlitz. In the reaction of the first Bourbon return, in 1814, this statue of the conqueror was removed, and one of Henri of Navarre substituted, but when Louis Philippe, the citizen king reigned, another statue of Napoleon, cast from the cannon of Algiers, taken in 1830, dressed with the historical great coat and cocked hat, was again elevated, and the old hero of Navarre removed to one of the bridges over the Seine. It is this, the bronze record of former victories over their late conquerors—it is this, cast from the guns of Algiers, now escaping from her grasp, which Paris has destroyed.

WAR LOSSES OF THE SOUTH.—The Census returns now coming in, reveal some of the losses (not all) that the Southern States suffered in consequence of the war. A few of the States are reported as follows:

Kentucky losses 104 millions, or about 20 per cent; Mississippi losses 355 millions, or seven-tenths; Tennessee losses 69 millions, or nearly 20 per cent; Florida losses 36 millions, or more than one-half; South Carolina losses 326 millions, or nearly two-thirds; Virginia losses 186 millions, or nearly two-sevenths. These losses are from 1860 to 1870.

The aggregate loss is said to be 1,200 millions, but this estimate falls far short of the total loss sustained by the Southern States as the result of the war. But if, when peace came, the Government had permitted those States to repair the waste that had been wrought, their condition would be very different to-day.—*Lynchburg Virginian.*

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